IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JONATHAN RODRIGUEZ, : CIVIL ACTION

Petitioner,

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v. : No. 21-787

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OBERLANDER, et al.,

Respondents. :

ORDER

AND NOW, this 26th day of August 2024, upon consideration of the Petitioner's Habeas Corpus Petition (ECF No. 1), the *pro se* Amended Petition (ECF No. 15), the counseled Amended Petition (ECF No. 41), the counseled Amendment (ECF No. 42-1), the Commonwealth's Response (Document No. 54), Petitioner's Memorandum in Reply (ECF No. 55), the exhibits attached to the parties' filings, the other documents filed by the parties, and after review of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Carol Sandra Moore Wells, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. The Report and Recommendation is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**;
- 2. The Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus is **GRANTED**, based upon Petitioner's claim that trial counsel was ineffective for failing to present available alibi witnesses;
- 3. Within 180 days of this order, the Commonwealth shall either retry Petitioner or release him from custody in case number CP-51-CR-9673-2010;
- 4. Petitioner's other claims are **DISMISSED** or **DENIED** as explained in the Report and Recommendation; and
- 5. Other than for his meritorious claim, Petitioner has neither shown a denial of a constitutional right, nor established that reasonable jurists would disagree with this court's disposition of his claims. Consequently, a certificate of appealability is **DENIED**.

/s/ Chad F. Kenney	
CHAD F. KENNEY, JUDGE	